MINUTES
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay University Committee

Present: Dave Dolan 10 February 2010
Michael Draney
Tim Kaufman
Illene Noppe
Laura Riddle
Brian Sutton (Chair)

Previous Meeting: 3 February 2010

Guests: Julia Wallace, Provost; Katrina Hrivnak, Academic Staff Representative; Megan Loritz, SGA Representative

1. The minutes of the meeting of 3 February 2010 were approved.

2) Continuing Business:

a) Collective Bargaining. The UC chair will ask Interim Assistant Chancellor Dan Spielmann to speak at the next Senate meeting

b) Interdisciplinary Task Force. The work of the task force has been delayed. The UC feels that a deadline should be set for the work. We would like to request a final report at the end of this semester, perhaps at the May meeting of the Faculty Senate. The UC believes this work to be extremely important as it is directly tied to the University’s select mission. The work of the task force should help us to identify academic goals appropriate to the Chancellor's Strategic Planning Themes.

c) University-wide Committee Work for Pre-tenured Faculty. I. Noppe suggested that further discussion in the Senate would be a productive start to addressing the development of a campus culture of service that faculty members find important for reasons other than merit and tenure. An open forum on the subject was suggested for the next Senate meeting.

d) Proposal to Enable the Creation of Joint Governance Committees. C. Abbott presented a proposal to change the wording in the faculty handbook to allow for the creation of joint governance committees. The UC commended his work and agreed to include the proposal for a first reading at the upcoming meeting of the Faculty Senate.

e) Statement Protesting State of Wisconsin’s Disinvestment in the UW System. The UC reviewed a statement penned by B. Sutton to be included for discussion at the upcoming meeting of the Faculty Senate.

3) New business

a) The UC has received a Unit recommendation for the designation of faculty status for lecturer James Hatlak. In addition to the Unit's letter of support, the UC would like to have the instructor’s current vita prior to approval.
b) The UC acted on a request to create appropriate slates of nominees for elective committees.

4) Discussion with Provost Wallace

a) Provost Wallace provided an update on the search for Dean of Students.

b) Provost Wallace provided information on items to be discussed at an upcoming meeting of System Provosts including four-year degree programs and a pilot program at six of the two-year colleges to offer BA degrees in Applied Sciences. The Provost expressed concern that this initiative would create further depletion of resources throughout the system. The UC also shares the Provost’s concern for consistent quality of education. Questions arose concerning the logistics and implementation of the initiative. Provost Wallace will keep us updated as discussions progress.

c) Provost Wallace informed the UC that the UW-Green Bay campus has been selected to be audited for student evaluation of instruction.

d) Provost Wallace informed the UC that the campus strategic planning process would start after spring break.

5) Senate Agenda

The UC was joined by SOFAS C. Abbott to set the agenda for the February 17 meeting of the Faculty Senate.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Riddle
Secretary Pro Tempore